MPO RESOLUTION # 22-04

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE WALK OUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL DAY ON OCTOBER 6, 2004

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area requires that the MPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process, and

WHEREAS, the National SAFE KIDS Coalition Walk to School Day Program focuses attention on the many children who walk to school whom are at risk of serious injury or death during their daily commute; and

WHEREAS, in 2002 272 children were injured and 3 were killed in pedestrian crashes in Miami-Dade; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of children could be saved each year nationwide, if every community takes steps to make pedestrian safety a priority by involving parents and schools in examining the routes traveled by these students, that their safety can be improved by: students' pedestrian education, identifying dangers on present routes that can be corrected through municipal action; devising safer alternate routes where possible; and

WHEREAS, children, parents and community leaders in conjunction with public and private schools in Miami-Dade County will be actively involved in this event on Wednesday, October 6th, 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

SECTION 1 That the MPO Governing Board endorses the Walk Our Children to School Day on October 6th 2004.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Perla T. Hantman who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Aye	Board Member Raul L. Martinez	-Aye
Board Member Joe J. Celestin	-Absent	Board Member Jimmy L. Morales	-Aye
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Manuel A. Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Dorrin Rolle	-Aye
Board Member Betty T. Ferguson	-Aye	Board Member Natacha Seijas	-Aye
Board Member Shirley M. Gibson	-Aye	Board Member Darryl K. Sharpton	-Aye
Board Member Perla T. Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Jose Smith	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Katy Sorenson	-Absent
Board Member William H. Kerdyk	-Absent	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Absent
Board Member M. Ronald Krongold	i -Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member Joe A. Martinez	-Absent	Chairperson Barbara M. Carey-Shuler	-Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 27th day of May, 2004.

